

Boat House Row
East River Drive
Philadelphia
Philadelphia County
Pennsylvania

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Location: East River Drive, Philadelphia, Philadelphia County,
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The information below lists boat houses on the Schuylkill River:

1. Fairmount Rowing Association

Brick, $2\frac{1}{2}$ sty, hipped roof; N end wing of random stone,
one sty, gable roof with cross-gables

2. Crescent Boat Club/U.S. Rowing Society
(now Schuylkill Navy Association/Drexel University)

Double building (twin but not matching). Coursed rough-hewn
limestone 1st sty and frame (with fake half-timber effect) 2nd
sty, $2\frac{1}{2}$ sty, gable roof with cross-gables; attached on N end
a stained glass window with words: Crescent 1867-1891

Random rough-hewn limestone, 2 sty with squat square $2\frac{1}{2}$ -sty
center entrance tower, brick trim and red sandstone trim,
fake half-timber frame 2nd sty, hipped roof.

3. Bachelors (1853-1893)

Yellow brick with stuccoed upper story, $2\frac{1}{2}$ sty, hipped roof,
open 2nd-sty arcaded porch, square and round-arch windows.

4. University Boat Club/Philadelphia Barge Club

Random rough-hewn green serpentine stone ground story, frame
with shingles upper story, $2\frac{1}{2}$ sty, hipped roof with cross-
galbes, two short front center towers with steep hipped roofs,
quoins.

5. Malta Boat Club/Vesper Boat Club

Double building. Malta (SE end): random rough-hewn granite
ground story, fake half-timber upper stories, $3\frac{1}{2}$ sty, gable
roofs with cross-gable. Vesper (NW end): random rough-hewn
granite ground story, (brick on N end), shingled frame upper
story, 2 sty with rounded corner turret (conical roof), gable
roofs.

6. University of Pennsylvania Boat Club

Random brownstone, 2 sty, steep hipped roof with cross-gables,
front (E side) stuccoed with 1st wing on S end.

7. Penn A. C. Boat Club

Random rough-hewn limestone, 2 sty, gable roof with corss-
gables, one-story stuccoed N addition.

8. Undine Barge Club

Random rough-hewn Trenton sandstone

9. Philadelphia Girls Rowing Club

Random rough-hewn granite, one story on raised basement with large central cupola, flat roof, round-arch windows.

10. Sedgeley Boat Club

Shingled frame, $1\frac{1}{2}$ sty, gable roof, small circular tower at N end.

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